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IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please amend the claims as follows:

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Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A <u>computer implemented</u> method for performing a frequency-domain transform on <u>frames of pixel values in</u> a time-domain signal having a sequence length N <u>defining a pixel value</u>, wherein the method is executed by a processor, the method comprising

decomposing the time-domain signal to a plurality of decomposed signals, wherein each of the plurality of decomposed signals includes a sequence length less than N;

performing a transform on the plurality of decomposed signals to obtain a transformed signal;

composing the plurality of transformed signals to obtain a composed signal, including a sub step of

scaling at least one of the transformed signals to define the pixel value.

Claim 2 (Original): The method of claim 1, further comprising determining a value for a scale factor based on N; and using the determined value for a scale factor in the sub step of scaling at least one of the transformed signals.

Claim 3 (Original): The method of claim 2, wherein the steps of claim 1 are performed in real time and wherein the step of determining a value for a scale factor is performed in non-real time.

Claim 4 (Original): The method of claim 1, further comprising determining a value for a scale factor; and using the determined value for a scale factor in the substep of scaling at least one of the .transformed signals.

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Claim 5 (Original): The method of claim 4, wherein a value for a scale factor is a constant.

Claim 6 (Original): The method of claim 5, wherein a value for a scale factor is zero.

Claim 7 (Original): The method of claim 1, wherein the frequency-domain transform includes a discrete cosine transform.

Claim 8 (Original): The method of claim 7, wherein the substep of scaling at least one of the transformed signals includes a sub step of

using a factor of
$$\frac{1}{2\cos(\frac{\pi\kappa}{N})}$$

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): An apparatus for performing a frequency-domain transform on a time-domain signal <u>defining a frame of pixel values</u> having a sequence length N, the apparatus comprising

- a processor,
- a decomposing process for decomposing the time-domain signal to a plurality of decomposed signals, wherein each of the plurality of decomposed signals includes a sequence length less than N:
- a transform process for performing a transform on the plurality of decomposed signals to obtain a transformed signal;
- a composing process for composing the plurality of transformed signals to obtain a composed signal; and
- a scaling process for scaling at least one of the transformed signals to define the pixel values.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable medium including instructions executable by a processor for performing a frequency-domain transform on a time-domain signal on frames of pixel values having a sequence length N, the computer-readable medium-including by performing the steps of:

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ene or more instructions for decomposing the time-domain signal to a plurality of decomposed signals, wherein each of the plurality of decomposed signals includes a sequence length less than N;

ene or more instructions for performing a transform on the plurality of decomposed signals to obtain a transformed signal;

one or more instructions for composing the plurality of transformed signals to obtain a composed signal; and

one or more instructions for scaling at least one of the transformed signals to define the pixel values.

Claim 11 (New): The method of claim 10, further comprising determining a value for a scale factor based on N; and using the determined value for a scale factor in the sub step of scaling at least one of the transformed signals.

Claim 12 (New): The method of claim 11, wherein the steps of claim 1 are performed in real time and wherein the step of determining a value for a scale factor is performed in non-real time.

Claim 13 (New): The method of claim 10, further comprising determining a value for a scale factor; and using the determined value for a scale factor in the substep of scaling at least one of the .transformed signals.

Claim 14 (New): The method of claim 13, wherein a value for a scale factor is a constant.

Claim 15 (New): The method of claim 14, wherein a value for a scale factor is zero.

Claim 16 (New): The method of claim 10, wherein the frequency-domain transform includes a discrete cosine transform.

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Claim 17 (New): The method of claim 16, wherein the substep of scaling at least one of the transformed signals includes a sub step of

using a factor of
$$\frac{1}{2\cos(\frac{\pi\kappa}{N})}$$